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DOUBLE CLEAN SWEEP FOR WA



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WA athletes achieved a clean sweep of placings in the Boys U13 and Girls U17. Oscar Curtis, Dylan Classen and Oscar Lindsey finished 1-2-3 in the Boys U13 whilst Kiara Rogers and Olivia Lindsey (pictured above) joined Jade Woods on the podium in the Girls U17.

EDITORIAL

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Congratulations to **Oscar Curtis, Erin Classen** and **Kiara Rogers** on your fantastic achievements at the Australian Junior Open in Darwin.

To everyone involved with the squad - congratulations and thank you.

Well January has definitely been jammed packed with junior squash action. From the AJO to Development Camps to the Karakal Kup, our juniors will be looking to get back to school for a break!

Thank you to all the photographers who made contributions this month: Rita Baldwin, Leanne French, Natalie Mitchell, Toni van der Kreek and James Wilding.

WA Squash is seeking input from all interested parties to assist with establishing an Operational Plan that will enable us to work towards achieving the goals set out in our Strategic Plan for 2017–2022.

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WORLD RANKINGS

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WA MEN:	TM:	HWR:
Mike Corren	194	38
David Ilich	304	300
William Curtis	382	359
Tim Cowell	440	178

TM: This Month

HWR: Highest World Ranking

You are invited to attend the meeting:

Date: Saturday, 11th February 2017

Commencement Time: 10.00am

Venue: Terrace Squash Centre
(Level 1, Plaza Level West, Fortescue Centre, Terrace Road, East Perth)



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INTRODUCTION by Mike Cornish

A fantastic start to another year of State Squad training. The first of three camps for 2017 was well received by all. The team of coaches led by Roger Flynn (Australia's leading squash coach) delivered once again another challenging and thought provoking camp for both our boys and girls.

Thank you to our dedicated and highly respected coaching team - Roger Flynn, Tim Cowell, Tim Cornish, Andrew Pratt and Mike Corren.

WA STATE SQUAD GIRLS REPORT by Olivia Lindsey

The WA squash girls welcomed 2017 with a two-day State Camp held at Terrace Squash Centre with visiting coach, Roger Flynn, assisting with the ongoing training initiative. Some new squad members were invited and we all learnt about the challenges ahead.

We spent the first day focusing on a series of drills. Each drill focused on particular shots, which are essential during match play. These drills were incorporated into the team challenges where points could be earned for our teams. Targets which were hit during these drills would be tallied up and count towards the teams total.

The girls also took part in pressure activities such as the concentration grids.

The aim of this was to cross out as many numbers in under 1 minute; numbers from 1-



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100 were scattered out randomly across the grid and had to be consecutively crossed out. These grids allowed the girls to see how concentration can change due to pressure. Other challenges included wall sits, planks and the Y-Test.

The second day of the camp saw the groups reconfigured, to allow the new squad members to meet new faces. In the morning session, the girls continued doing the series of drills where they continued to aim for targets and hitting to a minimum standard.

In the afternoon session, the girls finished off with a fun tournament of doubles. Each game of doubles would last for 12 minutes, followed by a three-minute break. After a tough battle between the competing teams, Tim Cornish and Caitlin Pratt showed they were too strong, remaining undefeated during the mini tournament.

After a close run of competition between the teams, the winners from each day were announced:

DAY 1 TEAM WINNERS: BULLYEAH

(Caitlin Pratt, Isabella Diver and Erin Classen)

DAY 2 TEAM WINNERS: LOUD MOUTH

(Bayley Ponton, Anita Tsangaris and Georgia Charles)

Although the camp was packed into a tight schedule, the girls had lots of fun, left feeling motivated and looking forward to the 2017 squash calendar.

The WA Junior State Squad girls would like to say a huge thank you to Roger Flynn, Mike Cornish, Tim Cornish, Tim Cowell and Andrew Pratt for taking the time to arrange and coach at the camp.

WA STATE SQUAD BOYS REPORT by Trey Mackenzie

After all players arrived at camp on day 1, we were all excited to find out what the coaches had in store for us. After being called into the meeting area we were arranged into our teams. We found out the winners were to get a prize so the teams were eager to win. After hitting the courts and training hard and doing Mike's mini team challenges it was clearly time for lunch!

After our lunch break, we moved on and continued with the second session of day 1. This session focused on some drills and mental exercises that would help us to improve our concentration when under pressure. The drill we did was the drop and lob pattern which had us focused on hitting to the minimum standard as well as aiming for the bulls eye.



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Next up we had the mental exercise which was to do 20 court sprints but with a twist. The twist was you had to look at a grid of 100 numbers randomly place and find 5 numbers before and after hard exercise. The purpose of this exercise was to focus on the concentration grid while you are physically exhausted.

We ended the day off with a Mike's mini game that's extremely intense and fun to play.

Day 1 saw team Sco Sco with captain Ethan and team mates Eric and Oscar winning by a large margin taking out the prize of water bottles. Day 1 was a fantastic start to the camp, we had lots of fun and collected a lot of information.

Day 2 - In the morning we arrived at the courts raring to go for our 2nd day of training. After the first day of team Sco Sco winning the coaches decided to change up the teams and change around the 13s to give them more experience.

We started off with more drills and we're lucky enough to have the presence of **Mike Corren** looking over us and training with us. We all got to have a hit with him and main point was reinforced through a different mouth. **To train with a purpose.**

In the afternoon we started off with some continuous drills. This kept our minds sharp as the ball was coming at us at different speeds. During change over of drills we would play nights mini challengers or repeat the y-test again to improve our scores.

After that we played a fun sugar filled game called marshmallow toss. We got to throw marshmallows into our teams mouths. This got the blood pumping. Then Roger announced the teams for the doubles tournament, however, there with a twist - the Power Play. This was a heap of fun and saw the winners Ethan Baldwin-Wright and Oscar Curtis coming out victorious.

Day 2 produced the Voting Slips to win the prize of a large bag of lolly snakes. Team captain Abel Jin and valuable members Dylan Classen and Mitchell Ferrari were fortunate to win.

PARTICIPANTS:

GIRLS:

Olivia Bunter
Georgia Charles
Erin Classen
Isabella Diver
Isabella French
Isla Harris
Olivia Lindsey
Bailey Ponton
Caitlin Pratt
Micheala Pratt
Anita Tsangaris
Jamie Tsangaris

BOYS:

Ethan Baldwin-Wright
Callum Blakey
Damon Blakey
Dylan Classen
Oscar Curtis
Mitchell Ferrarri
Finlay Gault
Eric Gray
Oscar Lindsey
Trey Mackenzie
Daniel Marsh
Josh Mitchell
Kaleb Sands
Remi Young

COACHES

Roger Flynn
Mike Cornish
Tim Cornish
Mike Corren
Tim Cowell
Andrew Pratt



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The players who were lucky enough to be invited to the camp were shown the importance of training with a purpose and being able to concentrate under pressure.

Thanks to Mike Cornish for doing all the behind the scenes action making sure we didn't go hungry, cheers to Roger Flynn for coaching us and imparting his wisdom on us and thanks to Tim Cowell for helping us too.

Photos courtesy of Rita Baldwin



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KARAKAL KUP

STORY by Mike Cornish

Season 2017 started positively with 64 youngsters entering the **Karakal Kup**.

The first event for the year was a silver ranked tournament which was aged based. After a week long schedule of camps, all players took to the courts fired up and raring to go.

From the under 11s to the under 19s the standard of squash was of high quality and the players were very competitive. Certainly this year the event produced some surprising results which could be due to the heavy scheduling from our kids that are committed to the Australian junior talent squad.

Tournament organiser Roger Flynn managed the schedule commendably to the point of where some matches were going on ahead of schedule. All matches were played in good spirit with a heavy emphasis on our camps theme "Respect all players."

I'd like to personally thank **Pam Adderson** for doing a great job assisting our novice, under 11s and 13s marking duties, a tireless worker for our game.

Thank you to **Sue Hillier** for a marvellous job behind the scenes with the preparations of both camps and the tournament.

My good friend **Roger Flynn** for his professionalism in not only organising the event but sharing his knowledge and up-skilling the coaching team. A valuable asset to our performance program.

A big thank you to **Kane Fasolo** for the use of **Squash World Brentwood** for both camps and the tournament.

Finally, thank you to **Steve Pilley** and Karakal for sponsoring the event. Sponsors are critical to junior events these days and it is so important that we support them in return.



KARAKAL KUP

Australian Junior Squash Tour - Silver

Brentwood Squash Centre

21-22 JANUARY 2017

CONGRATULATIONS

Boys U19

- 1 Remi Young**
- 2 Trey Mackenzie
- 3 Abel Jin

Boys U15

- 1 Eric Gray**
- 2 Oscar Lindsey
- 3 Dylan Classen

Girls U13

- 1 Caitlin Pratt**
- 2 Aiyanna Morris
- 3 Isla Harris

Girls U19

- 1 Pascale Louka**
- 2 Olivia Lindsey
- 3 Erin Classen

Girls U15

- 1 Erin Classen**
- 2 Isabella French
- 3 Michael Pratt

Boys U11

- 1 Eric Marsh**
- 2 Jason Wells
- 3 Augustus Davis

Boys U17

- 1 Remi Young**
- 2 Abel Jin
- 3 Declan Smith (ACT)

Boys U13

- 1 Dylan Classen**
- 2 Kaleb Sands
- 3 Mitchell Ferrari

Girls U11

- 1 Isla Harris**
- 2 Hannah Slyth
- 3 Ruby Brandon-Stewart



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W.A. SQUASH Junior Talent Camp

STORY by Sue Hillier

The 2017 Junior Squash Camp was held at Squashworld Brentwood from 19-20 January. 33 Junior Squash players from around the State came together for our **Junior Talent Camp**, whilst another 28 were at the **State Squad Camps** run by Mike Cornish and Roger Flynn at Terrace Squash.

This year the camp focus was **“RESPECT”** that included respecting other players, coaches, referees, parents and the court operator.

This camp was run by Sue Hillier with assistance from Dave Ilich, Damon MacMillan, Sanny Ang, Andrew Pratt, Monique Bosshard, Josh Blakey, Georgia Charles, Lynn Marsh and referee extraordinaire Neil Butler.

This year most players were from the Perth metropolitan area, with a few traveling from Esperance, Bunbury, Katanning and Manjimup.

DAY 1

After our group photo, the players were divided into groups and began the long warm up, learning about peripheral vision and 6 point movement. This was followed by a session with each coach learning: forehand, backhand, drop, lob, continuous drives, serve and return. Continuous drives proved to be the hardest, but also the area where they all improved.



Photo courtesy of James Wilding

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After lunch the players broke into groups for their ratings/skill testing. Several players passed green, blue and red, however only **Hannah Slyth** passed orange. Several players tried to pass bronze but found it difficult to perform under pressure and for the third year in a row those tested for silver were unsuccessful. King of the Court was the next session, with an emphasis on the zone and targets set, refining those skills learnt earlier in the day. Day 1 concluded with a plank and stretching session, this is one area that the juniors need to work on.

DAY 2

Our team challenge this year was the "10 Minutes to Win It Challenge".

Players were split into groups with team leaders: Jacqueline Gray (The Dream Team), Michaela Pratt (Avengers), Jackson Kiely (Rainbow Unicorns), Austin Pianta (Squash is Awesome), Quaide Kieser (Zobo), Jhett Bosshard (Smashers) and Melvin Hartley (Ecko). Each group was comprised of experienced players down to beginners. The focus of the morning activities was **TEAMWORK**; leaders needed to ensure all the team had an input and worked together.

After a warm up the games began. 10 minutes to achieve their goals.

The Challenges were:

Continuous Drives: How many drives could the group do in a row focusing on the information imparted by Dave Illich the day before. Teams worked well in this exercise. The highest team score was 9 by team Avengers.

Lob Serve into bucket: Some great serving by the juniors, using the skills imparted by Damon MacMillan. Quite a few in the bucket and many very close (if they serve like that on the weekend they will do well). The highest team score was 45 by teams Ecko and Zobo

Drop shot into a box: From a hand feed by Sanny Ang the players had to try to get the drop into a box (trying to use the technique Sanny gave them the day before), with more getting in this year. The highest team score was 40 by Team Ecko.

Agility and Concentration Grid with Monique Bosshard: Using cones and their ability to change direction quickly the players had to move around the court with speed and agility, then mark off a number on the concentration grid - it was great to see the agility and quick feet and the teams helping each other. The highest team score was 28 by teams Avengers and Squash is Awesome.

Helium Stick: the bug bear for all the juniors again this year. Josh Blakey advised that the groups worked together to get some great results. The highest team score was a movement of 63 cm by team Smashers. 31cms better than last year's winner!

Receive a lob serve on the left side of the court: Using the ball machine set up by Andrew Pratt for a lob serve players had to return it straight down the wall past the short line, within the width of the box. This was a challenge to the players especially the smaller ones. The highest team score was 94 by team Squash is Awesome

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3 hits on racket and pass: Each player has a ball and must hit the ball 3 times on the racket and pass to the next person. Using their peripheral vision and controlling the ball Georgia Charles advised that all groups found this challenge very hard. Team Dream Team won this challenge with a total of 3.

After comparing each other's scores the teams were eager to find out who won, however there was one more challenge to complete after their lunch break.

Having a full stomach the juniors had the most important session the rules! Neil Butler discussed with the juniors several key areas of marking and refereeing. Armed with a quiz the players split back into their groups to complete the last challenge. Out of a possible 40 the highest score was 20 by the Dream Team. Neil went through the paper with the players, advising the correct calls and decisions emphasising court etiquette and respect.

Tallying up all the results the winners were the Dream Team led by Jacqueline Gray with Toby Quartermaine, Rhys Eiffler and Max Forbes. No artificial colours or preservative lollies were the prize.

The final challenge was for the teams to verse each other in a mini tournament, with each player getting 3 minutes to challenge all the others from the opposing team. The lob serve being the winner in this challenge!

The last session was stretching, which received the most complaints throughout the two days. Funny how the easiest session caused the most complaints.

Thank you

- to DSR and Healthways for their continued involvement with WA Squash.
- to WA Squash for organising the event.
- to Kane Fasolo for hosting this event at Squashworld Brentwood.
- to all the coaches and parents who helped out over the two days.
- to Lynn Marsh for her time keeping enabling me to keep to the schedule.
- a very special thanks goes to Meg Hillier who prepared the lunches and snacks each day.

Lastly to all the players who showed great sportsmanship and manners, thank you for attending and I hope to see you all next year.

“The Talent Squad Camp was a great two days for everybody who attended it. I say heaps of familiar faces, as well as lots of people who were just starting. We enjoyed nonstop challenges and activities, which were all designed to help us improve our game as well as working in a team. I think all of us had an awesome time learning new skills and meeting new people”. **Austin Pianta**

W.A. SQUASH JUNIOR Talent Camp



“The Talent Squad Camp was heaps of fun not only because it helped develop my squash skills but also because I got to meet heaps of new people and make new friends. I had a great time and feel like I really improved over the two days”

Jacqueline Gray



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Oscar Curtis (U13B), Erin Classen (U13G) and Kiara Rogers (U17G) are the 2017 Australian Junior Open Champions! Greg Chan (2nd), Dylan Classen (2nd), Isabella French (3rd), Olivia Lindsey (2nd) Oscar Lindsey (3rd), Jade Woods (3rd) and Remi Young (3rd) all finished in the Top 3. **GREAT EFFORT! CONGRATULATIONS.**

U13 Boys Final (Round Robin Contest)

[1] Oscar CURTIS (WA) def [2] Dylan CLASSEN 12-10, 11-3, 11-4 (22m)

U13B Play Off for 3rd

[3] Oscar LINDSEY (WA) def Tom LACY (NSW) 12-10, 11-4, 8-11, 11-4

U13 Girls Final

[2] Erin CLASSEN (WA) def [1] Natalie SAYES (NZ) 18-16, 11-8, 6-11, 11-9 (37m)

U13G Play Off for 3rd

Diana GALLOWAY (NZ) def Jananii SUKUNESAN (VIC) 11-4, 11-5, 11-3

U13G Semi Finals

[1] Natalie SAYES (NZ) def Diana GALLOWAY (NZ) 11-5, 11-4, 11-2

[2] Erin CLASSEN (WA) def Jananii SUKUNESAN (VIC) 11-2, 11-1, 11-0 (11m)

U13G Quarter Finals

[1] Natalie SAYES (NZ) def Kiara STUBLEY (QLD) 11-5, 11-3, 11-1

Diana GALLOWAY (NZ) def Shona COXEDGE (QLD) 11-4, 11-4, 11-6 (13m)

Jananii SUKUNESAN (VIC) def Haylee BESANT (NSW) 11-3, 11-4, 11-3 (11m)

[2] Erin CLASSEN (WA) def Maggie GOODMAN (NSW) 11-4, 11-4, 11-3

U17 Girls Final

[2] Kiara ROGERS (WA) def [4] Olivia LINDSEY (WA) 9-11, 11-4, 11-6, 11-5 (28m)

U17G Play Off for 3rd

[3] Jade WOODS (WA) def [1] Sarah QUINLIVAN (VIC) 11-5, 11-4, 11-5 (15m)

U17G Semi Finals

[4] Olivia LINDSEY (WA) def [1] Sarah QUINLIVAN (VIC) 11-3, 11-8, 12-10 (20m)

[2] Kiara ROGERS (WA) def [3] Jade WOODS (WA) 11-13, 12-10, 11-7, 13-11 (29m)

U17G Quarter Finals

[1] Sarah QUINLIVAN (VIC) def Anna GOODMAN (NSW) 12-10, 11-3, 12-10

[4] Olivia LINDSEY (WA) def Hannah SMIT (ACT) 11-5, 11-4, 9-11, 11-6 (30m)

[3] Jade WOODS (WA) def Pascale LOUKA (WA) 11-9, 11-13, 11-6, 11-8

[2] Kiara ROGERS (WA) def Lauren STIELER (QLD) 11-1, 11-5, 11-7

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Oscar Curtis dominated the U13B competition but Dylan Classen and Oscar Lindsey ensured a clean sweep for WA.

Erin Clasen was all class upsetting #1S Kiwi Natalie Sayes 18-16, 11-8, 6-11, 11-9 (37m).

Greg Chan reached the final of the U15B but was no match for Kiwi #4S Leo Fatialof losing in straight 4-11, 9-11, 6-11 (25m).

Remi Young beat Queensland's #7S Josh Penfold in five 11-6, 11-4, 8-11, 5-11, 11-6.

Great to see Isabella French back competing. French fought all the way recording a gutsy 11-7, 9-11, 11-9, 8-11, 11-8 win against NSW's Jemma Besant.

Kiara Rogers is the Girls U17 Champ after beating close friend Olivia Lindsey in the final 9-11, 11-4, 11-6, 11-5 (28m).

Rogers also beat Jade Woods in the semi 11-13, 12-10, 11-7, 13-11 in a 29 minute nail biter.

Woods secured 3rd and another clean sweep for WA with a 3-0 win over #1S Sarah Quinlivan.

U11B	Jonathan Groenewald	7th	
U13B [1]	Oscar Curtis	WON	
U13B [2]	Dylan Classen	2nd	
U13B [3]	Oscar Lindsey	3rd	
U15B [2]	Remi Young	3rd	
U15B [3]	Gregory Chan	2nd	
U15B [6]	Eric Gray	9th	Special Plate
U17B	Abel Jin	10th	
U17B	Ethan Baldwin-Wright	23rd	Consolation Plate
U19B [3]	Damon MacMillan	7/8*	
U19B	Kane-Jaran Holman	14th	
U19B	Tye Harland	11/12*	

U13G [2]	Erin Classen	WON	
U13G	Eva French	15th	
U13G	Caitlin Pratt	11th	
U15G	Michaela Pratt	11th	
U15G	Isabella French	3rd	
U17G [2]	Kiara Rogers	WON	
U17G [3]	Jade Woods	3rd	
U17G [4]	Olivia Lindsey	2nd	
U17G	Georgia Charles	11th	
U17G	Jacqueline Gray	14th	
U17G	Pascale Louka	5th	Special Plate
U17G	Isabella Diver	12th	

* Squash Australia did not schedule the playoff

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“Player Quotes”



“When we got to Darwin it was really hot and humid but thankfully there was really good air conditioning at the courts. We had a practise hit on Wednesday to get used to the courts and in our spare time we went in the pool at the hotel which was really warm. Thursday was the start of the tournament and I had one game each day so I watched other matches and then went back to the pool with my friends and Kiara was helping me brush up on my diving. I won all my games and got to the final on the fourth day. I won and I was really happy because it was my first Australian title. It was a good trip, we ate lots of yummy food and hung out with my squash friends.”
Oscar Curtis ... Boys U13 - AJO Champion

“I had an awesome time at the AJO, meeting new friends and testing my ability to perform under pressure. My games were challenging, both mentally and physically. I was happy with my performance and was proud to come home with a medal.”
Oscar Lindsey ... Boys U13 - 3rd Place

It was my first under 15s Australian tournament and I was quite pleased with my results coming back from two sets to love down in the semis. Unfortunately, I couldn't pull through in the finals. It was a great experience at the AJO nevertheless with good quality matches and of course great fun meeting up with all the players again.
Greg Chan ... Boys U15 - Runner Up

My 2017 started well after traveling up to Darwin to compete in my first Australian Junior Open. Here, I ended up playing some of the best squash I have ever played and gained results exceeding my expectations. I had an amazing experience reconnecting with familiar faces and meeting new ones. One of the main highlights during the tournament was when I played in the semi final. Not expecting anything other than trying my best, I ended up knocking the number one seed out of the main draw. I proceeded to the finals and played against a WA State Squad member and a friend, Kiara Rogers. Although I went down in 4 sets, I enjoyed the experience of playing in my first Australian final. I was able to feel relaxed as we played a fun and friendly, but competitive game. I cannot wait for more opportunities like this!
Olivia Lindsey ... Girls U17 - Runner Up



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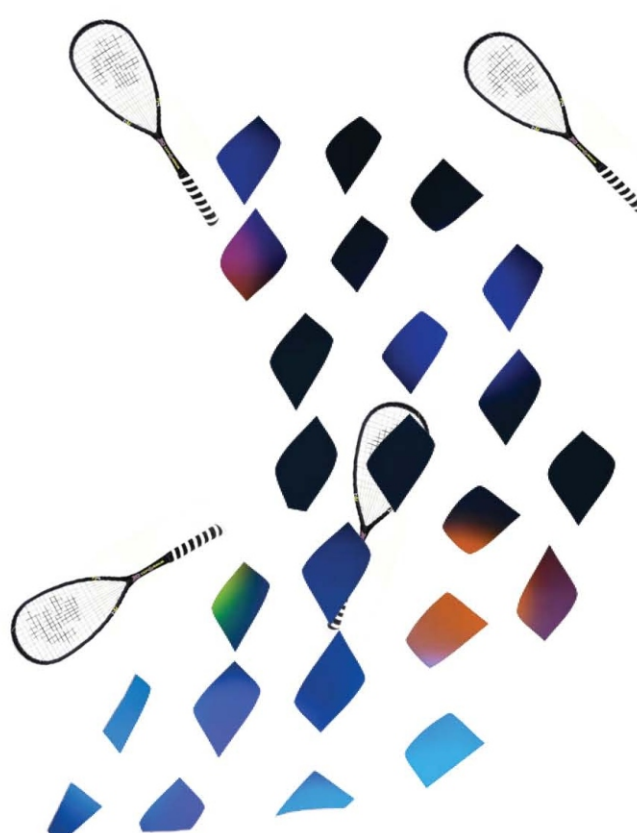


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NEXT JUNIOR EVENT
FEB 19 Hilton: **Hilton Exploder** (AJST Bronze)

5 series 2017

Busselton Junior Champs Saturday 1 April
Katanning Junior Champs Saturday 20 May
Grays Squash Bunbury Junior Classic Saturday 17 June
Narrogin Junior Champs Saturday 19 August
Manji Mozzies Junior Open Saturday 25 November



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Masters of Squash

Vic Thomas

Vic Thomas is one of the perennial characters of WA Masters Squash.

Vic has been involved with competition Squash in Western Australia for 40 years he was initially involved with Maylands Saints Squash Club, winning in his first year, taking out the D5 Autumn and the D2 Spring Pennants in 1976. Since then he has played at B1/B2 or Div 2, winning a few pennants along the way and is currently Div 1 level.



He became Men's Club Captain at Saints' Squash in 1989 and managed the Maylands Squash Centre for a couple of years before it closed.



2016 AMSA with Brian Cook

He was instrumental in Saints' players moving to Belmont, where they became Belmont Saints Squash Club.

He has been on the Belmont Saints committee for a number of years and was recognised for his years of contribution to squash with a Life Membership in January 2003.

In 1988, Vic went to Canberra and participated in his first Australian Masters' Championships. Since then he has played in 18 more AMSA Championships events.

He hasn't managed to win an Australian Championship yet, but he has been runner up a few times. In 2013 he won the AMSA plate event for 55-59 Open.

Vic and his wife, Rhonda are part of the regular contingent who attend both the Individual and Teams events over the two weeks of the AMSA Championships, enjoying the functions and social aspects of the fortnight.



Masters of Squash

Vic Thomas

Vic has been part of the WA Masters fabric for about 30 years. Over the years he has played in all the different Masters' Tournaments including the WAMS State Championships many times. He has won 5 State Championships and Been runner up on other occasions.

His major successes, however, have come later in life. His first state title came in 2008 winning the 55 Open. Followed by the 60 Open title in 2011. Three more titles have followed in the 65 - 69 age group, winning the 65 Open in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Vic has served the Masters' community in many different ways over the years. He has been on the WA Masters committee and was Chairman for 2 years.

He was part of the 2015 Australian Masters organising committee where he organised all the trophies for the Championships. He has run the bar fridge for Friday night Masters for about 7 years and organises the drinks for many of the WAMS

tournaments. He likes to keep all the Masters well hydrated. In 2011, in recognition to his many years of service, he was awarded the WAMS Contribution to WA Masters Squash trophy.

Vic still plays squash 3 times each week including Masters on Friday night. Within the Masters Squash and wider Squash community Vic is known for his enthusiasm for the game and as a fierce competitor. His fervor and dedication are second to none. Vic is a popular squash personality with an unassuming disposition who is loved by all.



2016 Vic and Rhonda Thomas



Vic Thomas: A Master of Squash



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2017 MASTERS CALENDAR

Friday Night Masters

Season 1	Feb 10 to Jun 23	7:30pm Blue Gum Squash
Season 2	Jul 28 to Nov 24	7:30pm Blue Gum Squash

Tournaments

Tussle on the Terrace	Feb 3	Terrace Squash Centre
Busselton Teams	Mar 4, 5, & 6	Busselton Squash Centre
Hilton Classic	May 6, 7	Hilton Squash Centre
WAMS State Championships	Jul 21, 22, 23	Venue TBA
Masters/Junior Tournament	Jul 28	Squash Factory, Wangara
Aust Individuals Championships	Sep 4 to 8	Ballarat VIC
Aust Teams Championships	Sep 11 to 15	Ballarat VIC
Spring Teams Tournament	Nov 18, 19	Squash Factory, Wangara

Social Events

WAMS Dinner Dance	Aug 5	Venue TBA
Christmas Function	Nov 25 or 26	Venue TBA

AGM

Annual General Meeting	Nov 18 TBC	Venue TBA
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SEASON 1 - COMMENCES 10 February 2017 from 7:30pm
Guests and reserve players are always welcome.

Friday Night Masters

- Fun and social atmosphere
- Teams of 6 or 7 players in appropriate grades
- Mixed grades with opponents of similar ranking
- Matches: total of 4 games, PAR-15 scoring
- Supper/refreshments available

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Top 4
JUNIOR RANKINGS



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BOYS U19

1. William Curtis - VP
2. Damon MacMillan - MAR
3. Tye Harland - ESP
4. Jack Osborn - GER

BOYS U17

1. Jack Osborn - GER
2. Remi Young - MAR
3. Abel Jin - VP
4. Trey Mackenzie - ESP

BOYS U15

1. Remi Young - MAR
2. Gregory Chan - VP
3. Oscar Curtis - VP
4. Eric Gray - HIL

BOYS U13

1. Oscar Curtis - VP
2. Dylan Classen - MAR
3. Oscar Lindsey - MAR
4. Kaleb Sands - MAR

BOYS U11

1. Daniel Marsh - MG
2. Jonathon Groenewald - MAR
3. Eric Marsh - MG
4. Jaxon Wells - MAR

GIRLS U19

1. Jade Woods - EG
2. Kiara Rogers - MAR
3. Pascale Louka - VP
4. Zoe Massam - ESP

GIRLS U17

1. Jade Woods - EG
2. Kiara Rogers - MAR
3. Pascale Louka - VP
4. Olivia Lindsey - MAR

GIRLS U15

1. Erin Classen - MAR
2. Isabella French - BUN
3. Olivia Bunter - MAR
4. Michaela Pratt - NAR

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1. Erin Classen - MAR
2. Caitlin Pratt - NAR
3. Eva French - BUN
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GIRLS U11

1. Isla Harris - MOR
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3. Ruby Brandon-Stewart MAR
4. Celeste Brown - MG

EVENT CALENDAR

FEB 3 Terrace: **Masters Tussle on the Terrace**

FEB 19 Hilton: **Hilton Exploder** (AJST Bronze)

MAR 4-6 Busselton: **Masters Busselton Team Tournament**

MAR 4-6 Esperance: **Esperance Junior Open** (AJST Silver)

MAR 4-5 Esperance: **Horizon Power Esperance Open** (AST PSA Closed Satellite)

MAR 19 Marmion: **Marmion Junior Classic** (AJST Bronze)

MAR 25-26 Wickham: **Northwest Junior Championships** (AJST Bronze)

APR 1 Busselton: **Busselton Junior Championships** (AJST Bronze)
Southern Grand Prix Series

APR 29-30 Mirrabooka: **WA Closed**

APR 29-30 Mirrabooka: **HEAD Junior Classic** (AJST Silver)

MAY 6-7 Hilton: **Masters Hilton Classic**

MAY 6-7 Geraldton: **Geraldton Open & Masters**

MAY 6-7 Geraldton: **Geraldton Junior Open** (AJST Bronze)

MAY 20 Broome: **Kimberly Junior Championships** (AJST Bronze)

MAY 20 Katanning: **Katanning Junior Championships** (AJST Bronze)

Southern Grand Prix Series

MAY 20-21 Broome: **Broome International**

MAY 25-27 Terrace: **WA Open**

JUN 2-5 Kalgoorlie: **City of Kalgoorlie Boulder Golden Open** (AST PSA M5/W5)

JUN 3-5 Kalgoorlie: **Golden Junior Open** (AJST Silver)

JUN 10 Exmouth: **Exmouth Junior Championships** (AJST Bronze)

JUN 17 Bunbury: **Bunbury Junior** (AJST Bronze)

Southern Grand Prix Series



EVENT CALENDAR

JUL 1-2 Mirrabooka: **Squashworld Mirrabooka Open**

JUL 1-2 Mirrabooka: **WA Junior Championships** (AJST Gold)

JUL 3-4 Mirrabooka: **WA State Junior Teams**

JUL 21-23 Venue TBC: **Masters State Championships**

JUL 28 Squash Factory: **Masters/Junior Tournament**

AUG 5 Brentwood: **Squashworld Brentwood Junior** (AJST Bronze)

AUG 5-6 Dampier: **FeNaClng Championships**

AUG 19 Narrogin: **Narrogin Junior** (AJST Bronze)

Southern Grand Prix Series

SEP 2 Terrace: **Prince Super Series #1** (AJST Bronze)

SEP 9 Terrace: **Prince Super Series #2** (AJST Bronze)

SEP 16 Terrace: **Prince Super Series #3** (AJST Bronze)

SEP 24-26 Venue TBC: **WA Country Teams Championships**

OCT 3 Fitzpatrick's: **Maddington/Gosnells Junior Graded**

(AJST Bronze)

OCT 22-23 Cambridge: **Squashworld Cambridge Open**

OCT 22-23 Cambridge: **Cambridge Junior** (AJST Bronze)

NOV 18-19 Squash Factory: **Masters Spring Teams Tournament**

NOV 25 Manjimup: **Manji Mozzies Junior Open**

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AST: Australian Squash Tour

AJST: Australian Junior Squash Tour

WAMS: WA Masters Squash



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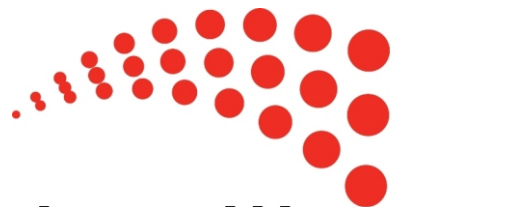
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